IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)	Prior Group Art Unit: 1635
Jonathan D. OLINER et al.	j	Prior Examiner: M. Shibuya
Continuation of Serial No. 09/431,964)	
Filed: November 1, 1999)	Atty. Dkt. No. 003848.00100

For: DETERMINING SIGNAL TRANSDUCTION PATHWAYS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminarily to the examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, substitute the following paragraph:

This is a Continuation Application of parent Application Serial No. 09/431,964, filed November 1, 1999, which claimed the benefit of provisional application no. 60/106,912 filed November 3, 1998, which is expressly incorporated by reference in its entirety herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 2-33.

No fee is believed to be due. However, if such a fee is needed please charge Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: January 22, 2002

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APPENDIX

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